

Priorities

BERKELEY DENTAL GRADUATE WINS DR. NOBE AWARD

\$500 Graduate Scholarship Going to Dr. Gary Kono

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)
CHICAGO — Gary Kimio Kono, the son of Mrs. Beatrice Kazuko Kono and the late Kenneth T. Kono of Berkeley, is the recipient of the 1972 Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Memorial Scholarship. He was sponsored by the Berkeley JACL chapter.

Gary who received both his DDS and BS degrees simultaneously at UC Berkeley is striving for a Masters in Periodontology at the University of Southern California. When he attains his M.A., Gary, who is now 24 years of age, will become one of the youngest periodontists in America.

Gary has shown deep concern for the plight of his fellow man and specifically members of the Japanese community. One of Gary's colleagues, Dr. Bruce Skapton, described him as the most well-rounded individual he has ever met, admiring his ability to give of himself, his gumbo enthusiasm and sense of humor.

Work with Youth

Gary spent the summer of 1970 as student coordinator of the UC Mobile Clinic and three weeks in the summer of '71 as student operator. This program brought dental treatment to over 4,000 migrant farm children in the San Joaquin Valley of Central California.

Gary wrote in his letter of application: "The purpose of education to me has always been to let an individual grow to his fullest potential. . . . Furthermore, as I have done in the past, I want to put something back into the system to help improve it, whether it be an educational program or simply just helping others. I feel this input is vital. . . ."

The annual \$500 Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Scholarship was established by Catherine Nobe in 1966 as a memorial to her beloved husband.

In congratulating Dr. Kono, the scholarship committee found him best fitted to carry out the humanitarian ideals of the late Dr. Nobe, a fervent believer in people helping people.

JACL Directions

Answers and guidance from those whom they feel are in the "best position" to articulate JACL's direction. An appreciable number of persons view the goals in terms of their own perspective as chapter members.

But the overriding concern of all seems to be that JACL does serve to protect and improve the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry, and those Americans of other Asian ancestry. This broad goal can be applied to many situations: services for the youth and elderly in need, social and legislative action programs, effective use of chapter participation in community action programs; political education and leadership training programs for JACL membership, workshops on how to organize community action groups and ethnic and cultural heritage programs; how to organize coalition groups with other related ethnic groups in the community, how to involve other Japanese Americans who have professional expertise in the particular areas of interest and concern, etc.

There are many who feel that National JACL should establish as its major priority the development of programs for those in need of human services which are geared to their special cultural problems. These are the oppressed, socially stigmatized, uncared for individuals who have not had the advantages of most Japanese and Asian Americans. I am wholeheartedly in support of the immediate need for JACL to take positive action and join other groups and organizations which have expressed similar concerns.

But I feel the greatest contribution JACL can make to such programs is to help demonstrate their need and effectiveness and then to use its influence to assure that such services are continued under auspices of a direct service agency funded by appropriate voluntary and public funds. JACL is not a direct service agency. Its role is much more effective as an advocate and ombudsman.

Another often repeated priority is programs for youth. I concur that this should be a high priority. The continuation of a relevant JACL is dependent upon its youth membership. Young people are much more sensitive and responsive to racial, social, and political issues that permeate our day-to-day living. They are much more alert to social injustices. But they seek the support of an organization to provide resources and methods to help achieve positive changes. They recognize the need for all of us to work together; no one group can do it alone.

CCDC chapters set for convention; Yatabe keynoter

By THOMAS TOYAMA

FRESNO, Calif. — The annual Central California JACL District Council will be held Nov. 18 and 19 at the Hotel Hilton, 1055 Van Ness Ave. with Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, former Fresno and pioneer of the American Loyalty League, as the banquet speaker on Sunday. Roy Uyesaka of Clovis is the general chairman.

All chapter presidents in Central California must meet several deadlines. All chapters must have made known their 1973 officers by Oct. 25. Sapphire pin candidates by Nov. 1, Chapter of the Year intent by Nov. 10.

Pre-registration is \$8.50 and deadline is Nov. 10, after that date it will increase to \$9.50.

Other committees are: Sunny Nakagawa (Reedley), James Kozuki (Fowler), and Tak Tamaki (Selma) gen. arr. Peter Hasegawa (Sanger) reg.; Yoshito Takahashi (Clovis), banquet; Roy Kato (Fowler), banquet program; Dr. James Nagatani (Delano) reception; Akira Nishiohka (Fresno), printing of invitations and program; Jim Ueta (Tulare County), chapter of the year; Judge Mikio Uchiyama (Fowler), resolutions; Tom Shimazaki (Tulare County), recognition; Dr. James Nagatani (Delano), scholarship; Ed Nagatani (Delano), finance.

At the recent CCDC session (Sept. 27) Norman Ohtani of Reedley gave a report on Japanese American Youth.

Harry Kubo was not present to give the Nisei Farmers League report but Governor Fred Hirasuna revealed growers from Central California were going to help at White River Farms in Tulare County. He also noted a Tri-District Council conference will be held in near future.

Other reports were made by Hiro Kusaka of Fresno on Capitol Life health insurance for JACL members, Tony Takikawa of Fresno on the CC-DC-JACL Office, and Akira Nishiohka of Fresno on National Senior Citizens Committee.

Nobody can become perfect by merely ceasing to act—Bhagavad Gita.

'Guilty' pre-empted in eastern Washington

SPOKANE — Viewers in eastern Washington missed the Japanese Evacuation, "Guilty by Reason of Race," on Sept. 19 because of statewide election returns.

Ed Yamamoto, Columbia Basin JACL president, was informed the program has been rescheduled by KHQ-TV for Tuesday, Oct. 17, 10 p.m. He lauded the station for rebroadcasting the program as a public service without receiving any commercial fees.



EAST L.A. DONATES—Proceeds (\$200) from the East Los Angeles JACL picnic benefit for the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization were accepted by Roy Yamadera (left), onetime East L.A. JACL president and currently JWRO vice-president, from Min Yoshizaki (right), picnic chairman. Witnesses are Sueso Yoshida (2nd from left), JWRO counselor; and the Rev. Kogi Sayama, social worker, Japanese Community Pioneer Center. Over 100 persons attended the picnic held at Legg Lake. Merchants donating foodstuffs included Eagle Produce, Crown Produce, Grace Pastries, Morita Produce and Towne Distributing Co.

—Kashu Mainichi Photo.

LIST OF ATTORNEYS

JACL Legal Service Arm Proposed

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—A determined effort is being made by JACL chapters and district councils to assist Raymond S. Uno, national JACL legal counsel, establish a legal service arm and perhaps an Asian American bar association.

The chapters were expected to compile a list of Asian American lawyers, as well as those attending law schools, and submit them to Uno, 320 S. 3rd East, Salt Lake City 84111, by Nov. 15.

"This is no novel venture for a minority group," Uno explained as there are the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, Mexican American Legal Defense Fund, American Indian Legal Defense Fund and Jewish groups established to implement provisions of the Constitution, laws, ordinances and administrative rules. Legal aid associations and OEO legal service offices have also been established in many places to assist the poor.

Need Critical

For Asian Americans, the legal service has been localized to areas where there are large concentrations of Asian Americans, Uno noted, but the need is critical to expand services and increase the number of Asian American legal service groups nationally.

"The law is really a jungle and we must help guide the innocent, unwary and confused citizenry through the legal maze, particularly administrative and legal proceedings," Uno said.

The group of Asian American lawyers is expected to be concerned with:

- 1—Substantive and procedural rights in areas of public benefits and privileges; such as, tax relief, social security, unemployment insurance, workman's compensation, public assistance, public housing, low-income housing, employment, education and training programs, old age, child welfare.
- 2—Clarification of legal rights by determining the varying factors of entitlement.
- 3—Careful scrutiny of possible infringement of constitutional, statutory and other rights in the administration of criminal justice; educational and public welfare programs; federal, state and local funding; application of arbitrary or unreasonable eligibility requirements, inequitable distribution of benefits and patterned discriminatory practices.

JACL Funding

Some funds are available for this purpose through JACL, but pooling of talent can provide more effective services for the total Asian American community everywhere, Uno stressed.

"It has been my experience that the mere presence of an attorney does make a difference at any legal or administrative hearing," Uno continued. "The constitutional mandate of due process of law and equal protection of the laws just seem to ring a little louder."

(In the Yellow Pages of the Los Angeles telephone directory are listed some 30 Japanese American attorneys in private practice).

'GUILTY BY REASON OF RACE'

E.O. 9066 cover girl speaks out

by Mr. Robert "Chad" Northshield, executive producer of NBC Documentary.

I, the little girl and now the woman, today feel the strong need to be heard by those who viewed and listened to that program. To be heard in defense of my fellow people and the quiet majority of Japanese over the age of 30.

It is with shame and regret that these words in defense must be against the words of a fellow Japanese American citizen. These words must be said for the sake of my children, and for all the Japanese American citizens I must defend their honor and pride.

A remark was made of my Japanese community and the leaders that because verbally we do not speak out we are classified as second rate American citizens.

My parents are like almost 99% of the first generation, Issei, of Japanese in America of a proud humble and quiet nature. With much pride and dignity they have fought back the degradation and shame imposed upon them in 1942 to once again hold their heads up high, and have found a place in this land for their children and their children's children. They have not fought in violence or by force, in loud boisterous manner, but by how they are by nature. By hard work and using their natural characteristics they were felt. Felt not with pity but their remarkable quiet manner of suffering, ability to retain their strength, pride and dignity against all odds, being heard through feelings, the hearts were touched, warmth and friendship was offered to them by the people who once called them enemy. They stand their side in quiet dignity.

Proud of way they fought and suffered

By MIYUKI HIRANO

Thirty years ago a six-year-old innocent little girl by the name of Miyuki Mochida due to her race was caught up in a period of mass hysteria and fear due to a war between the country in which she was born and raised, the United States of America, and the country of her parents' birthplace, Japan.

She and her family were one of thousands being evacuated for internment in a relocation center. Miyuki and her family caught the eyes of photographers as had many others and pictures were taken.

On Thursday evening 10th day of September 1972, the nation watched a television program produced and directed

Words in Defense

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Editors:

On the television program special, "Guilty by Reason of Race," (Sept. 19), an uncalled for and (what I feel to be) an unqualified remark was made by one of the main characters, Mr. Edison Uno. A word for word verbatim is not recalled but in essence what Mr. Uno stated was that the Japanese did not have the courage to and the gumption to speak out against the "Executive Order 9066." He claims that the present community does not speak out, and therefore, are second rate American citizens.

Enclosed is an article which I have written in defense of the elders, who were stripped of their civil rights, to pay homage for their struggles. I have taken this affront personally as a direct hit to my Mother and Father, who were just one of thousands; Parents whom I respect and admire for their great courage and fortitude.

Being one of the participants of this documentary program I felt the responsibility to speak out in behalf of not only my parents, but for all parents and the present community and community leaders. To speak out, not against the documentary for it was of great value and service for it brought out much which was unknown to the young as well as the old, but against Mr. Uno's innuendo and remark which may be

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Nixon signs yen claims bill, cites Nikkei contributions to America

(The PC Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON—Late Wednesday (Oct. 4) President Richard Nixon signed into law HR 8215, authorizing Japanese nationals interned or paroled in World War II to file for recovery of their yen certificates of deposit in the pre-war Yokohama Specie Bank.

William "Mo" Marumoto, staff assistant to the President, called this presidential action to the attention of Mike Masaoka, veteran lobbyist responsible for this legislation on behalf of the Japanese American Citizens League last week.

Marumoto noted that the President, a native Californian personally familiar with the WZV travails of Japanese Americans, was concerned that every possible corrective and remedial action be taken for their benefit.

16 mainland area subcommittees to aid Sparky

WASHINGTON — With the primaries in Hawaii over, in which he had no opposition, Congressman Sparky M. Matsunaga is now in the midst of his campaign for reelection which culminates on Nov. 7.

With less than a month to go, Mike Masaoka authorized agent on the mainland for Friends of Sparky, urged those who have not done so to send in their checks to "Friends of Sparky," care of Mike Masaoka, 2021 L St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

At the same time, Masaoka revealed 17 JACL leaders have volunteered to conduct selected mail campaigns in their respective areas. "After all, since we already give to our local candidates, we certainly cannot do less for Sparky who has done so much for us as individuals and as a nationality group," one of the volunteer area subcommittee chairmen wrote Masaoka.

The volunteer local chairmen are:

- Salge Aramaki, Salt Lake City, Utah; Dr. Dave S. Asahara, Sacramento, Calif.; George K. Higuichi, Philadelphia; Vernon Ichizuka, Seabrook, N.J.; James Y. Dharma, Reno, Nev.; George Kase, West Los Angeles; Mrs. Rose Sakata, Whittier, Calif.; Tom T. Shimizu, Walnut Creek, Calif.; Thelma R. Stoddy, Pasadena, Calif.; Sterling S. Suga, Los Angeles; Dr. James T. Taguchi, Dayton, O.; Richard K. Tanaka, San Jose, Calif.; Mary Toda, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Francis Tomoyasu, Watsonville, Calif.; Edison Uno, San Francisco Bay Region; George Yamasaki, San Francisco; and Scott Yamasaki, Detroit.

Masaoka hoped other areas could be organized for local campaigns, even though time is now of essence.

An early contribution, Masaoka noted, will also make more certain that Sparky will return to Washington next January prepared to continue his unprecedented representation on behalf of Japanese Americans while representing his state of Hawaii and congressional district, and his country as effectively and as expeditiously as he has in the past, Masaoka said.

Those who contribute more than \$10 to Friends of Sparky must include their occupation and their business or employment address with their check because of the new federal election law.

during the war—or their heirs—to file claim for their assets 31 years after Pearl Harbor." Mr. Nixon expressed his gratitude, in conclusion, "for the contributions Japanese Americans have made, and make today, to our country of which we say E Pluribus Unum, One out of many."

Legislative History

The Committee of Japanese American Yen Depositors and JACL in 1971 requested Rep. Sparky Matsunaga to introduce a bill that would waive the statutory bar in the Trading with the Enemy Act which prohibited Japanese who were interned or paroled from filing for recovery of their life savings in the prewar Yokohama Specie Bank.

The bill was introduced in April, 1971, but the Justice Department delayed over a year in reporting it had no objection to the measure if an amendment authorizing the Department to administer its benefit were accepted.

On Aug. 4, the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce subcommittee on Finance and Commerce, chaired by Rep. John Moss of Sacramento, Calif., conducted a day of hearing on the bill and then persuaded the parent committee to report it to the House for its consideration. On Aug. 18, the House approved the bill unanimously.

Though it was late in the session, Sen. Hiram L. Fong, also of Hawaii and second ranking Republican member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, urged that committee to report out the measure without hearings or further consideration on Sept. 18. Two

Action Quick

It was then sent to the White House, where the President signed it into law last week.

In his more than 25 years here as JACL representative, Masaoka could not recall another bill that was passed by both Houses and signed by the President in such a short time, once the Justice Department report was submitted to the Congress, especially in the final days of Congress rushing toward adjournment in a presidential election year.

President's Statement

Text of the presidential statement follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE
 Statement by the President

I have great pleasure in signing into law HR 8215, for the relief and recovery of Japanese bank accounts. This act will permit Japanese Americans who were interned or paroled during the second world war to receive the funds deposited in certain branches of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., Japan.

The signing of this act, in a very much larger sense, symbolizes how far we have come in our human relationships in this country since World War II. After Pearl Harbor, more than 100,000 Japanese Americans were uprooted from their homes and moved into evacuation centers, whether they were citizens or aliens. Even during the war, there was considerable sentiment that we had overreacted. President Franklin D. Roosevelt said, "Americanism is a matter of mind and heart; Americanism is not, and never was, a matter of race or ancestry."

Japanese Americans were recruited for the United States Armed Forces and the 442nd Central Postal Directory Regimental Combat Team became famous as the "Go For Broke" outfit that was one of the most highly decorated units in the United States Army in World War II. Not until the enactment of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, however, were lawfully admitted alien Japanese permitted to become naturalized citizens of the United States. And not for many years were the Congress and the courts able to redress one particular unfair aspect of the treatment of the Japanese Americans. Only gradually were more than 15,000 Japanese American boys made, and permitted to recover their money which had been deposited in United States branches of Japanese banks. The assets of these banks had been seized along with all other assets owned under the Trading with the Enemy Act during the war.

Now this act finally permits between 1,000 and 2,000 Japanese American depositors who were interned or paroled during the war—31 years after Pearl Harbor.

The House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee has stated: ". . . It is the opinion of the committee that the predominant legal and moral right to these funds belongs to the Americans of Japanese ancestry who are the beneficiaries of this legislation."

I agree to express my gratitude for the contributions Japanese Americans have made, and make today, to our country of which we say E Pluribus Unum, One out of many.

White House Statement

Although the White House seldom comments on minor legislation, Marumoto assured Masaoka that the President felt so keenly about this bill that he had issued a special statement with his signing the bill into law so that every possible claimant might be aware of this new opportunity under the law.

"The signing of this act, in a very much larger sense, symbolized how far we have finally come in our human relationships in this country since World War II," Nixon said in the statement.

Mr. Nixon pointed to events well known to Japanese Americans but not to others—the uprooting of 110,000 Japanese Americans, citizen or alien, after Pearl Harbor to evacuation centers, the gallant exploits of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the enactment of the 1952 act permitting Japanese aliens to become naturalized U.S. citizens.

New YWCA policy stresses raciality

HONOLULU—All YWCA associations in the country were asked to examine memberships of boards, committees, staff, classes clubs and residents and look at their documents for any evidence of institutional racism.

The Oahu YWCA board of directors has adopted a 51-point "raciality" plan of action to eliminate racism as it was apparent that most YWCA members, volunteers and staff are white, Japanese or Chinese with other racial groups underrepresented in proportion to Oahu's ethnic population.

"Raciality" is defined as "a recognition of and respect for racial and cultural differences."

whole image of his own culture which have all these values.

Patsy Mink wins in Isle primaries

HONOLULU—Rep. Patsy T. Mink handily won over John Goemans in the primaries last week (Oct. 7), 13,996 to 4,187. She faces State Sen. Diane Hansen in the general.

With less than a month to mount her campaign for reelection, her Mainland friends are urged to contribute to her campaign by sending it direct: Friends of Mink Committee, 24-801 Farrington Highway, Waikeolu, Hawaii 96797.

Much of her fund has been expended during a very difficult primary race, it was reported.

Debs backs showing to community groups

Los Angeles

Supervisor Ernest E. Debs praised Robert Northshield, producer-narrator of the NBC-TV essay, "Guilty By Reason of Race," and the NBC news staff.

"I would hope that a way can be found to make the documentary available for community showings," the county supervisor wrote in a letter to Northshield.

Debs described the film on the Evacuation experience as "a thought-provoking, healthful reminder of the kind of inhumanity that can stem from government action based on hysteria, bigotry and greed—even in our cherished democracy."

"Guilty By Reason of Race" includes footage from the "Months of Waiting" art exhibit shown as a public service at the Music Center under the co-sponsorship of the Board of Supervisors, JACL and the California Historical Society.

'Very puzzled' by publicized allegations

Editor:

I appreciate this opportunity to respond to a letter written recently by Mrs. Miyuki Mochida Hirono concerning her views on the NBC documentary, "Guilty, By Reason of Race."

Ordinarily, I would not respond in the Japanese press; however some of the charges and allegations attributed by Mrs. Hirono to me are so false and misleading that they must be answered in the name of responsible journalism.

First of all I wish to publicly apologize to Mrs. Hirono and her parents or friends who may have been personally offended by my personal views expressed in the show. I have carefully read the transcript of the program and I sincerely do not understand her reasoning or the basis for her attack against my personal views. I have written to her directly since I believe she is either grossly misinformed or totally ignorant of my concerns and involvement.

For the public record, I wish to state the facts and correct any misconception that Mrs. Hirono or others may have implied by her charges, whether intentional or not.

I have never suggested or implied that our Issei parents and/or grandparents "did not have the gumption to speak out against the Executive Order 9066." That is a ridiculous charge to attribute to me. I know from personal experience what took place in 1942. My daughters' grandfather is Saburo Kido, who was the wartime president of the National JACL. There was no choice except to follow the order of the Army. For his active role, my wife's father was severely and violently attacked at Poston, Arizona.

I have had the privilege of lecturing in the Asian American community.

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Holiday Issue

All chapters which have had ads in last year's Holiday Issue should have received by now their "kit for 1972" containing solicitation material and instructions — as these were posted from our office the first week of September. If the kit has not been received, please inform immediately Mrs. Jane Orawa, PC Business Office.

HOLIDAY ISSUE

1972 BOXSCORE

Display Ads
 1971 Total: 3,028"
 To Date This Year: 808"

FRESNO — 160 Salanoco . . .
 SAN FRANCISCO — PC Ad . . .
 SEABROOK — 110
 *Bulk-Rates

One Liners
 1971 Total: 513 Names

Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

JUSTICE FOR JAPANESE AMERICAN

It was a parenthetical comment but a sharp elaboration of where JACL's directions lie when Mrs. Toshi Yoshida of Wilshire JACL stated at the last Pacific Southwest District meeting that "when we go on the next legislative campaign for reparations, I feel, it will reunite JACL forces". That struck us as a most sensible statement since the rhetoric unbridled at the last National Convention resulted in the resignation of the JACL staff based in the Southern California office.

Furthermore, the resolution passed last month by the Columbia Basin JACL in Moses Lake, Wash., renders the mandate of the National JACL on this matter a double-edged by including every person of Japanese ancestry residing in the Western Defense Command during World War II eligible for reparations with evacuees because of indignities and economic losses due to restrictive regulations.

Washington, D.C., attorney Joseph L. Raub, Jr., sired the National Council resolution for evacuee reparations when he addressed the convention during the congressional banquet. He suggested several options by which the Congress might undo the Evacuation, the constitutionality of which stands untested and uncontested. One option was to pay each person held in the detention camps a flat sum, perhaps relating to some standard as with prisoner-of-war pay. The U.S. currently allows \$5 per day for prisoners-of-war.

The records show the War Relocation Authority operated the camps for about 1,400 days from June 1, 1942. Evacuees were ordered to assemble centers as early as Mar. 22 that year. The National Archives, we understand, has records showing how many days each evacuee stayed in the camps as well as for each child born there.

It is difficult to strike an average number of days an evacuee was detained but some statistics gleaned from "Uprooted Americans", the inside story of WRA by director Dillon Myer, may help. Peak population of all the camps was about 110,000 on Jan. 1, 1943, the preponderance being the Nisei, aged 10-29. By Jan. 1, 1945, the population was down to about 80,000—most of them Issei and the very young.

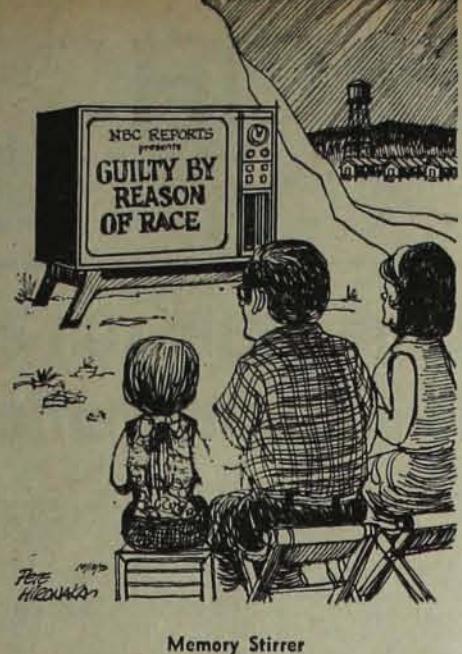
With the lifting of military exclusion orders from the West Coast in early 1945, relocation camps stepped up their departure program. By mid-year, the population was down to about 62,000. Then WRA Final Report also notes 18,000 were considered "unrelocatable" because of Army and Justice Dept. orders. This left 44,000 to relocate before the centers were to close.

Dates were posted when the camps would close and it accelerated the departure program—3,000 per week by September, 1945. By the end of November, the relocation program was concluded except for 8,000 still at Tule Lake, which required another four months.

An arbitrary average might be 700 days in camp for the 110,000 evacuee which means \$3,500 per evacuee, based upon the current U.S. allowance for prisoners-of-war or a \$385 million reparations program. It would be justice to the Japanese Americans if such a sum were authorized when you remember that the Federal Reserve Bank in 1942 estimated the long-term economic losses to the evacuees was \$400,000,000. The evacuation claims program involved some \$38,500,000 paid to 26,800 claimants. Notice the figures are similar except for one zero.

It's been a good quarter century since the camps have been closed and many of the then elderly have passed on. As a memorial to them, what would be owing them as evacuee reparations ought to be set aside as a fund to aid their descendants—part two of Mr. Raub's option—or to encourage better understanding in group relations so that the tensions of 1942 never beset this nation—part three of his options.

The irony of all this can be clearly assessed (and the figures come from Hosokawa's concise paragraph in his "Nisei: the Quiet Americans", p. 440) when you note that the WRA spent some \$160,000,000 for its program and the Army another \$69,000,000 to evacuate the Japanese Americans and build the ten camps for them—nearly a quarter billion dollars—on a program that history indicates was far from justified or necessary.



Memory Stirrer

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

JACL Convention
Editor:
The article in the September 22nd edition of Pacific Citizen entitled, "Inside PSW Delegation," by Henry Sakai was especially interesting to me because he wrote that either I was not there at the debates or I was asleep. To Hank's credit, I must point out that he confronted me before the article appeared and told me that my Washington Report was the most unfair, slanted, inaccurate, inflammatory, and poorly timed article to appear in P.C. about the convention. I feel that JACL needs more people of conviction who are willing to come out in the open, confront you eyeball to eyeball, and tell it like they see it.

Differing Mind Sets
And that's exactly what I was trying to do in my Washington Report which was printed in the Gardena newsletter distributed to our 1,140 members. I told it like I saw it, plain and simple. It is conceivable that due to the totality of my situation, my mind recorded the events quite differently from the way they looked from Hank's vantage point. It is my contention that whenever one records events, he records the totality of his situation which includes, among other things, his personal frame of mind, the friendliness or hostility of the crowd around him, and where he is sitting (high or low in the stadium). If this is correct, how could Hank and I have watched the wild, emotional scene and come up with the same conclusions?

I went to Washington knowing very few of the national officers and not really knowing anything about Ushio, Nishio, or anyone else. Within a few hours of my arrival, I was listening to people who were vigorously pushing the idea that the confirmation must be blocked, that the national people who selected Ushio did so despite the overwhelming evidence otherwise. With no more than 15 minutes' experience in JACL politics, I immediately assessed this as a confrontation to see who could come up with the marbles and felt that the contestants in fact, if not in words, were directly questioning the national personnel board's honesty, competence, and dedication.

Concluding Statements
I stated in the Gardena newsletter that the arguments against the confirmation of Ushio seemed totally conclusory, that I heard no facts to support those conclusions. To illustrate what I meant by conclusory statements (not factual), here are some of the statements I heard while I was awake: "Mr. A is bad because I can't trust him anymore." "Mr. A is not qualified because he doesn't understand Asian American problems." "But Mr. B is better because he is smarter." "Mr. A is bad because he will lead us back to the beginning of time." Such statements of a conclusory nature abounded in the debates.

Hank states that after the vote, I told him that I wanted to vote NO but had to go along with the chapter directions. Let's set the record straight. A number of people angrily confronted me immediately after the vote and demanded to know how I could vote YES in view of "the facts." It was obvious that they could not believe that anyone could conclude that the facts were indeed lacking.

Some claimed that my YES vote was an unconscionable anti-PSWDC vote. After a few confrontations like that and worse, I was convinced that I should have voted No to insure a little peace while in Washington.

Can't Forget
I feel it is right and desirable to forgive and not harbor bitterness. To remain bitter would serve only to hinder one's present life as well as those around you.

NBC-TV—

Continued from Front Page

I can Studies Department at the California State University, San Francisco for over three years. One can ask any of my 250 former students about my high respect and admiration for the Issei who are mainly responsible for the success of their children and grandchildren.

My views are documented in writing for work I have submitted to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the McGraw Hill Publishing Company as a consultant on Japanese in America. Over twenty years ago, I urged the JACL to establish and document the Issei story.

Personal Remarks
2—I do not speak for anyone except for myself. No one can assume to speak for the entire community.

As a former member of the San Francisco Crime Commission, San Francisco Grand Jury, co-chairman of the National JACL Committee to Repeal Detention Camp Legislation, board member of the Community Coalition for Media Change, co-chairman of

der one's present life as well as those around you.
2—It is impossible to forget the camp experience simply because our minds have memory capacity. I support the Sanel in encouraging the remembrance of Evacuation which was clearly a grossly unjust act and should be remembered as long as the laws are on paper to permit its recurrence on any group in the future.

Quiet Americans
4—As a whole the Nisei are indeed "Quiet Americans", but this quality in itself is not undesirable. Being quiet does not mean the Nisei have done nothing. I do feel that better listening and reflection is achieved by assuming a composure of quietness. It is often the quiet ones that do the most for society.

5—The Sanel are more vociferous and this also is not undesirable. Outspoken but constructive voices are sorely needed in these times to quell the voices speaking for destruction and deterioration. It is my impression that the Sanel are very constructively oriented so they deserve support. As I stated in item 2, I support their efforts to have our nation remember Evacuation as a positive force for the improvement of the future.

6—The Issei are diminishing in number due to the reality of age. Their accomplishments in overcoming overwhelming obstacles should always be remembered. The Nisei emerged as an outstandingly successful group largely because of their fine upbringing by the Issei. I believe the home environment is the strongest factor in the making of a responsible adult.

In conclusion, I would urge that we cast off any bitterness about Evacuation, remember it for constructive purposes, emphasize the improvement of the present, and work diligently for a better future for all.

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the Bay Area Community JACL Chapter, vice-chairman of the Japanese American Curriculum Project, trustee of the California Historical Society, and instructor at the California School of Professional Psychology and California State University, San Francisco, I act and speak my own conscience.

I am careful not to become the victim of Japanese American tokenism. More often than not, I believe my activities and views are contrary to those diverse opinions held within the Japanese community. I respect those opinions and the right to the freedom of expression.

3—I do not condone violence and any such implication is false. I do not believe there are many examples of violence which is not the physical type most commonly publicized. I am critical of the psychological violence which takes place when anyone is denied full equality, freedom, and justice.

Self-Image Healthy
4—My motives are questioned in the statement, "Edison Uno, who apparently is more politically oriented, and lost his identity with his oriental heritage background." The charge is so ludicrous that it defies comment.

I believe I have a very healthy self-image, sensitive, and aware of contemporary problems of identity, community involvement, and goals of self-realization. Mrs. Hirano or anyone else is welcome to any of my classes which meets on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. to participate in the learning process about our rich cultural heritage. The course is entitled, "Evacuation and Relocation."

5—I have never called us "second rate American citizens." I believe all visible minorities suffer the stigma of being second class citizens as long as racism denies all Americans full equality. It is a fact that Japanese Americans continue to face discrimination in employment, housing, social services, education, and subtle social prejudices in spite of our apparent economic success and social acceptance.

'Very Puzzled'
Earlier this summer I had the opportunity to meet Miyuki Hirano when the NBC producers asked me to seek the cooperation and assistance of the young girl who was pictured on the cover of the book "Executive Order 9066." Miyuki and I flew to Los Angeles on Sunday, June 18 to film the preview of the companion exhibit sponsored by the California Historical Society, "Months of Waiting." Returning from Los Angeles together we dined and discussed many of the issues raised in her letter. Our relationship and friendship have been cordial and friendly. Miyuki is charming and intelligent.

I am very puzzled at this turn of events and wish to publicly resolve any differences or misunderstandings that may have resulted in our joint participation in the NBC production.

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Merit Savings
LOS ANGELES — Merit Savings & Loan Assn., organized by Nisei here 10 years ago, has filed a limited branch facility in Torrance at 182nd and Western, it was announced by Bruce Kaji, chairman. Hearing on the application for the first branch location in Monterey Park at Brightonwood and Atlantic Blvd. has been rescheduled for Nov. 3. Total savings and loan increased to an all-time high of \$15,608,182 and \$13,876,775 respectively, as of Sept. 30. Earnings were \$29,402 or 74 cents per share on 40,000 shares outstanding, added George N. Matsumoto, president, who pointed to a strong finish for the remainder of the year and perhaps exceed the industry averages.

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From the Fryer Pan

'THE JAPANESE'

(Bill Hosokawa is presently on assignment in Taiwan this week, having departed from Los Angeles Oct. 5. We expect his columns here during the month of November.—Ed.)

Denver, Colo. Sansel (and Nisei, too) who are seeking a single volume that will give them an insight into the Japanese — their character, customs and hangups — may find what they are looking for in the book titled, "The Japanese," published a few weeks ago by William Morrow & Co. The author is John Seward, a Texan who went to Japan after the surrender as a military intelligence officer. He has lived in Japan most of the time since then and is married to a Japanese woman.

Seward looks at, analyzes, dissects and reports on the Japanese from an American viewpoint. Having lived among them, speaking their language, he has become very much aware of their war and blemishes as well as their charm. Many Japanese will not like what he has written. They will not quarrel with the accuracy of his observations, but only with the emphasis he has put on them. Herewith, some of those observations:

On the Japanese attitude toward themselves: "They believe that as a race they are emotional (as opposed to logical), diligent, polite, kind, conformist, loyal, patient, humane, just and responsive to a sense of obligation toward others. A majority of them believe that they are superior to all other races, with the possible exception of the Germans."

On the Japanese sense of duty: "Perhaps the most important single key to an understanding of the national character and the customary attitudes of the Japanese can be found in their set of social values identified individually by the names on (kindness, obligation), giri (duty, justice) *meiyo* (humanity), *sei* (sincerity) *makoto* (sincerity), *kao* (face), *sekinin* (responsibility), *gimu* (duty), and *ninmu* (mission, assigned task). These are the ligatures that hold the framework of Japanese society together, each making active demands on its members. Unfortunately the vectors cross and tangle only too often, providing the plots for much of Japan's literature. Does duty to liege lord outweigh obligation to one's teacher? Must human feelings

be cast aside in favor of responsibility to one's parents. Must the young man obey his father and abandon the girl he loves? Should the young mother tell her husband that the baby he has just borne is not his, if by so doing, she may cause him to resign from his teaching job in shame? These and similar threads of indecision are... what represents the evaluations and decisions which typify actual social intercourse in present-day Japan."

On male dominance: "With sexual satisfaction so comparatively easy to achieve in Japan, the Japanese man does not have to devote so much of his time to its pursuit, leaving him with more time and energy to devote to more profitable, if less pleasant pastimes."

On the Japanese fascination for samurai movies in which the hero with fantastic skill routs scores of badies: "As I read it, the many enemy swordsmen stand for Japanese society, conformity, the jellyfishlike group that engulfs and stifles the individual... while the lone sword-fighting protagonist is individuality, self-reliance, independence, self-fulfillment, innovation, the charismatic trailblazer... The single sword-fighter in these chambers is also acting out another fantasy which the Japanese long but seldom attain — individually inspired and individually conducted courage."

On violence: "Willingness to kill and then to die for hopeless causes has filtered down through the years to us today in the forms of the assassination mentality of the Japanese and the minority-inspired violence of their politics... In Japan the 'tyranny of the majority can easily give rise to the violence of the minority when that minority believes that decent consideration is not being accorded its situation."

On individualism: The Japanese "is taught that it is better to be harmonious than to be right according to his own private convictions... In the United States we pay homage to the man who stands alone against all comers in his continuing struggle for justice or vindication or personal liberty, but such a man would not appeal to the Japanese. They would have preferred that he subordinate his own inner urges to the ambitions of the group." If Jack Seward's observations give you an uneasy feeling of looking at yourself in a cloudy mirror, hold up your hand.

S.F. CHINATOWN POLARIZED BY 2 CHINA STAND

Anti-Peking, Anti-Japan Banners Posted at Rally

SAN FRANCISCO — Chinatown here held two rallies on successive days (Sept. 30 and Oct. 1), at 400 South of Market Street, for National Day sponsored by the pro-Nationalists and over 1,000 present Sunday at the same park to celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China.

Progressive leaders in Chinatown could hardly contain their enthusiasm on Monday, the Chinese American Journal East-West reported.

Many anti-Peking and anti-Japan banners were posted at the Saturday afternoon rally, protesting Japan's recognition of Peking. The progressives received threats against removal of the banners Sunday but since the Nationalist group's permit had expired, the progressives were within their rights to remove the banners and the banners were dumped in ashcans without incident.

East-West in its editorial reminded the community that as Chinese Americans, irrespective of their politics, should "work together in concerted efforts to bring about a better future for Chinese Americans." It noted the Taipei-Peking question has polarized the community and dissipated the efforts of many Chinatown leaders.

Japan 79th nation to recognize Peking

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

Premier Kakuei Tanaka flew home Sept. 30 from a six-day visit to Peking after signing an agreement to open regular diplomatic relations with Communist China.

Chief obstacles to the accord had been seen as the American-Japan security pact that permits America to base troops in Japan and the diplomatic relations Japan has maintained with Taiwan.

Communist China regards Taiwan as part of its territory. The Communists regard with particular disfavor the presence of American troops in Japan to ensure the independence of Taiwan.

Taiwan has traditionally been a bone of contention between Japan and China. Ceded to Japan after the Sino-Japanese War of 1894-95, Taiwan became a major base for the Japanese invasion of southeast Asia in World War II.

In 1931, Japan had wrested Manchuria from China. In 1937, Japanese troops fired on Chinese units near Peking, and began a full-scale invasion of China.

In this undeclared war, known to the Japanese as the China Incident, 10 million Chinese are said to have lost their lives. Speaking before 700 guests at a banquet honoring Tanaka, Premier Chou En-lai said China "must record clearly (the) experience and lesson" of "aggression by Japanese militarists since 1894."

Reconciliation

"Bitterness over past quarrels, however, failed to blind the Chinese premier to the prospect of present gains. Though the Communists indicated that a state of war still existed between China and Japan despite the 1952 peace treaty Japan signed with the government of Taiwan, they opened avenues to reconciliation.

The Communists released Japan from payment of war indemnities; they were publicly silent about the American-Japan security pact; they avoided interposing obstacles to continued Japan-Taiwan trade.

In return, Japan recognized the Communist government of China, thus rendering the 1952 treaty with Taiwan a dead letter. While avoiding explicit acceptance of the Communist claim to Taiwan, Japan announced it "fully understands and respects" the claim.

The Communists and Japan pledged to exchange ambassadors "as speedily as possible."

79th Nation

Japan thus became the 79th nation to establish diplomatic relations with Communist China.

One effect of this rapprochement is an undermining of the justification for the American-Japan security pact, with its proviso for stationing troops in Japan. A further effect is the weakening of the already impossible claim of the government of Taiwan that it represents China.

Taiwan responded to the agreement between the Communists and Japan by severing diplomatic relations with the Japanese. Despite this hostile response, Japan clearly hopes to be able to continue its profitable trade relations with Taiwan.

Diplomatic relations are helpful, but trade is possible without diplomatic recognition. Even before the Communists had established diplomatic relations with Japan, Japan had been mainland China's largest trading partner, with a two-way flow of goods of \$900 million annually.

NISEI DECIDES HE CAN'T BE DETROIT POLICEMAN

DETROIT — Sanhiro Miyamoto, 30, decided Sept. 26 he can't stretch himself to 5 ft. 7 and meet the minimum height requirement to fulfill his lifelong ambition to be a policeman.

He slept in traction, was bonked on the head by his understanding wife with a board to raise a bump (thereby gaining national press and an appearance on Johnny Carson's "Tonight" show) and got up to 5 ft. 6 5/8.

Meanwhile, the Michigan Civil Rights Commission is ascertaining whether the height and weight standards of the department discriminates against persons of Japanese ancestry and other minorities of short stature. (The PC is suggesting the average height of Japanese Americans may be ascertained by the Army if it still has the records of the 442nd RCT.)

Nihongo-speaking worker rectifies Issei loss of aid

LOS ANGELES — Corrective actions were taken by the County Dept. of Public Social Services in the case (PC, Sept. 22) of an Issei who old age security grant was discontinued because a social worker misunderstood the answers.

A Japanese-speaking worker was sent to the home of the Issei and based on information obtained during the home call, DPSS initiated action to rescind the intent to discontinue the client's grant and to continue her aid.

DPSS indicated that it has an active Asian Community Relations Section with bilingual staff who can speak all major Asian languages. This staff is available to interpret policies and regulations in various Asian languages. It is also available to contact district offices for clarification of communications and resolution of issues when required, on behalf of non-English speaking Asian clients.

Japanese-speaking personnel at DPSS include George Kato, George Noda, and Mrs. Miyoko Eshita at 268-8231, ext. 305.

NICHI BEI TIMES DEDICATES NEW HOME

SAN FRANCISCO — Midst ribbon cutting, congratulatory greetings and cablegrams, Nichi Bei Times held open house this past week (Sept. 30) at its new building at 2211 Bush St. It had been located in a converted stable since 1948 at 1375 Eddy St.

The sparkling new building of two stories houses the offset press and business office on the ground floor with typesetting and editorial offices upstairs. First press run at the new home is expected this weekend.

Shichinosuke Asano, president, was joined by civic and business leaders in the ribbon cutting.

Mimura harp group performing Oct. 13-14

LOS ANGELES — Japan's unique Mimura Harp Orchestra will give two concerts, Oct. 13 and 14, 8:30 p.m., at the Embassy Auditorium, as the first event in Inner City Cultural Center's 1972 - 73 World of Music and Dance series.

The group consists of 20 female harpists who have toured Asia, Europe and the United States. The program features selections from Handel, Vaughan Williams, and several Japanese composers.

The orchestra has been the lifetime achievement of its founder and conductor, Tsutomu Mimura, known as author of "Harp Method", a five volume work on the systematic training of harp technique.

Little Tokyo Towers files with HUD to fund \$6 million housing project

LOS ANGELES — The community's dream of providing housing for the Issei moved closer to being realized, as Little Tokyo Towers, Inc., developer of the proposed \$6 million senior citizen housing project in Little Tokyo announced that it has filed its funding application with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

According to Mac Sasaki, Little Tokyo Towers president, funding for the project is being sought under HUD's Section 236 housing program, which provides a long term, low interest loan from the federal government.

"We are very optimistic that our application will be accepted, and we hope to receive approval from HUD sometime early next year," said Sasaki. "Our housing consultant, Morris Leenov, informs us that HUD sources indicate Section 236 housing projects within urban renewal areas will be given top priority over all other applicants."

Little Tokyo Towers is a non-profit corporation, formed last year, with JAACL, the

Los Angeles Buddhist Church Federation the So. Calif. Christian Church Federation and the So. Calif. Gardeners' Federation as co-sponsors.

Nisei Architects
According to Sasaki, once the application has been approved, design of the development will take about nine months to complete. Architects for the development are Kikuchi-Sata-Horie, who were hired by Little Tokyo Towers last year.

Plans for the development, to be located on Central Avenue between Second and Third Streets, call for a high-rise apartment to include both efficiency and one-bedroom units. The Little Tokyo Towers group is asking for 337 units. Those senior citizens residing in the Little Tokyo project area who qualify by age and income will have first priority in moving into the new development.

"The delay in filing the application was due primarily to new federal regulations which had not been previously called for, and which therefore required a great deal of additional paper work," said Sasaki.

1974 Target Date

Sasaki also explained new regulations require a deposit of \$6,000 to accompany the application. "The Board of Directors of Little Tokyo Towers wishes to thank the Bank of Tokyo for expediting a loan, which enabled us to submit the required deposit," he added.

Kango Kunitzugu, Community Redevelopment Agency's (CRA) Little Tokyo project manager, stated that CRA is already in the process of acquiring the properties in the residential area of the project. "Little Tokyo Towers has also been given exclusive rights with the CRA for acquisition of the senior citizen housing project will be developed," said Kunitzugu. "All in all, it looks very much like the long-awaited area of much needed housing for the Issei will be built as early as 1974."

A faculty committee is being formed to develop a full academic program and a schedule of seminars for American businessmen planning to enter the Japanese consumer market. Dr. Hayakawa explained.

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Mitsubishi donates \$1 million to Harvard
CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—In what was said to be an unparalleled act of Japanese corporate generosity, the Mitsubishi group of industries of Japan donated \$1 million (Sept. 22) to Harvard to establish a chair in Japanese legal studies.

The gift, to be used to support a professor in the East Asian legal studies program at the law school, appeared to reflect in part the mounting uneasiness among Nipponese industrialists over recent strains in Japanese-American relations.

"We cannot deny there are strains and conflicts of interest," said Chujiro Fujino, the head of the huge Mitsubishi conglomerate as he handed over the check.

What made the grant particularly unusual was that the Japanese have no great tradition of private and corporate philanthropy. Fujino acknowledged that since Mitsubishi's tremendous postwar expansion, the company had never given any money to Japanese universities. The firm cannot be sure even of a tax deduction under Japanese law.

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CHAPTER PULSE

**Enormous photos
of 'E.O. 9066'
defines memories**

By SACHI SEKO

Salt Lake City
It was homecoming, terrible and real. The enormous photographs of the exhibit "Executive Order 9066" breathed and moved and swept one behind the flat, grey prints. I am fourteen again and I leave the insulation of this happy valley to touch my beginning.

From Happy Valley

I hear again the lonely wail of the train's whistle, as with windows darkened and under armed guard, we are banished to a destination unknown. I can taste the grit of dirt as dust inundates the tarpaper barracks of Gila.

Names are often meaningless, but the Gripsholm is different. It is the "tip" on which my grandparent

patented the photographs of the Gold Star mothers, of the families accepting our country's flag, to me they are not patriotic symbols. They are memories, never dormant, but with the passing years lacking the exquisite pain of today. What time has blurred, the exhibit redefines.

Not all of us were participants of the Evacuation. Location and time spared many. It is often said that military service leaves a certain marking on individuals who have served, which is missing in those who were exempt.

I have come home to my real people, stripped of all pretensions, all possessions. I am witness to sharing, to sacrifice, and to shame. I also know pride and honor; feel the nobility of hands which have clawed the earth. I know faces, composed and stoic; lips which have never whimpered. The bond which ties us is indivisible.

The quotations which accompany the exhibit rouse old hurts and hatreds. I remember Casa Grande (Ariz.), where we had to wait in the middle of the road for the truck from Gila. Every place was off-limits for "Japs."

How many places did we have to try before we were served in Phoenix? I don't know which was worse, direct discrimination or the slow torture of the subtle kind. I have known both.

It is the end of summer and the days are warm in happy valley, particularly this Sunday when we view the exhibit at the University of Utah. I am surprised by the sudden chill I feel. Surrounded by my people, back home in Gila, I was not cold. Even when there was no oil for heat.

Perhaps the winds are shifting. In recent weeks, as we have read of President Nixon's meeting with Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka and noted the editorialized observations of the impending Tokyo-Peking meeting, there is cause to feel a breeze, if not a draft.

It has been interesting that we have Anglo friends who have voiced such concern. Assuming that it is difficult to distinguish Japanese-Americans from Japanese, we have been asked how we plan to counteract the backlash which our very visible characteristics may subject us to.

In this context, also assuming that individual efforts can meet only certain limitations, who will speak for all of us? In the present situation the JACL is the only organized national body we have.

Whether its membership represents only a very limited number, regardless of its desires, it is the common voice of more than 100,000 of us. Do we believe that each of us qualifies as part of a successful ethnic minority without its own level of poverty and aging? Do we deny drug addiction and a sociological report which indicates that Nisei do noticeably suffer from psychosomatic diseases?

We, who are of Gila and nine such other non-places, know who we are. We have paid the price of knowing and we are possessive of that knowledge. Those who speak for us in the future should know for whom they speak. It is not middle America.

October Events
Another flu shot clinic slated by Sacramento
Five Nisei doctors, assisted by seven nurses, administered the flu vaccine to 505 persons on Sept. 10 at a Sacramento JACL clinic. Another flu shot clinic will be held Oct. 15, 1-3 p.m., at the Buddhist Church. Dollar donation is being asked to defray expenses.

Installation
Mayor Mineta to speak at Chicago JACL inaugural

Mayor Norman Mineta of San Jose has accepted the Chicago JACL invitation to address its inaugural dinner on Saturday, Dec. 2, at Antoine's, 4370 N. Elston Ave. He was the banquet speaker at the recent National JACL Convention.

Ron Yoshino is currently chairing the Chicago JACL board as Hiroshi Kanno has moved to Amherst, Mass., where he is attending the Univ. of Massachusetts for an advanced degree. Cheryl Harano and Margaret Shigio are co-chairing the dinner. Johnny Holliday and his band have been engaged for the dance which will follow.

EDC meeting to precede Philadelphia inaugural

Philadelphia JACL will have its installation dinner on Saturday, Mar. 10, at Cinelli's Country House at Cherry Hill, N.J. It will start after the Eastern District Council meeting earlier in the day adjourns.

1000 Club Report

Sept. 29 Report
SAN FRANCISCO—With 44 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships acknowledged by National JACL Headquarters during the second half of September, the month-end total was 2,427 as compared with 2,555 last year.

1st Year: Chicago—Mrs. Toyono Augustin; Berkeley—Wayne E. Dermitt; San Francisco—KIKKO-MAY INTERIOR CONTRACTORS; O'FAGH RUI MERCANTILE (both Corporate Membr.).
2nd Year: San Francisco—Mao Ikuma.
3rd Year: Twin Cities—Sakae Hinayata; Downtown L.A.—Katie Westler; Berkeley—Tom T. Nakagawa; Chicago—Hiroshi Nakano, George Towata.

4th Year: Costa Costa—WILLIAM HIROSE (90 Club); Gardens Valley—Jan T. Kunitoshi.
5th Year: Detroit—Mary Kamidori.
6th Year: Proq. Westside—Dr. Franklin R. Minami; East Los Angeles—Shizuya.
7th Year: Chicago—Takashi Ochiai; French Camp—Bob S. Ota.

8th Year: Placer County—Richard Nishimura.
9th Year: Chicago—Masaru Funai; Sells—Koichi Kihara; Proq. Westside—Kunio Yano.
10th Year: Snake River—Gish Amano; Washington, D.C.—Frank S. Baley.
11th Year: Sacramento—George Hamal; Puyallup Valley—Ted Masunaka.
12th Year: Pasadena—Fred A. Hiroaka; Mile-Hi—John M. Masunaga; Sacramento—Shig Sakamoto.

13th Year: Eden Township—Yoshiko Kasai; Detroit—Tom T. Takano.
14th Year: Washington, D.C.—Harold S. Fister; Berkeley—Mrs. Carolyn A. Ikemiya; Philadelphia—Dr. Eichi K. Kotwari, Mrs. Chiyo Koiwai; Long Beach Harbor—Dr. Richard Kumashiro; Venice—Culver—Dr. Takao Shishino; Pasadena—Mary K. Yano.
15th Year: Ventura County—Willis Hirata; Chicago—H. Earle Mori; Berkeley—Dr. James M. Ikemiya; Monterey Peninsula—George Kodama; Fresno—Dr. Chester Oji.
16th Year: Seattle—Hiram Akita.
17th Year: Seattle—Joe S. Hirota.
18th Year: Venice—Culver—Mary E. Wakamatsu.

Charter Flight

A reunion of Midwest area JACLers who visited Japan last fall will be held Oct. 21 at Howard Johnson's on Touhy at Niles, Ill., according to Dr. Frank Sakamoto, who also announced a charter flight for Japan leaving Chicago Sept. 29 has been confirmed.

While annual charter flights will continue from Chicago through 1975, the 1000 Club has a "big one" planned for 1975 when departures from five points will not be staggered but set for the same date, which means over 1,000 flight participants will be departing and visiting Japan at the same time.

PR Chairman Named

Mike Culbert, editor-in-chief of the Richmond Independent and Berkeley Gazette, was appointed National 1000 Club public relations chairman to assist Tad Hirota, 1000 Club chairman. In the silver anniversary membership drive, the increased budget adopted at the recent convention makes it imperative additional funds be raised, Hirota said.

CALENDAR

- Oct. 14 (Saturday) Philadelphia—Insl. Appreciation dinner, Gateway Tea Gardens, 9 p.m. San Mateo—Monte Carlo fun night.
- Oct. 15 (Sunday) Sacramento—Flu shot clinic, Buddhist Church, 1-3 p.m. Dayton—Bus trip.
- Oct. 21 (Saturday) St. Louis—Fall Festival, Kirkwood Jr. High.
- Oct. 21-22 West Valley—U.N. Festival booths, Santa Clara Fairgrounds, San Jose.
- Oct. 28 (Thursday) Sacramento—Reg. Mtg. Nisei Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 29 (Saturday) Cleveland—Holiday Fair, Euclid Central Jr. Hl., 4-9 p.m.
- Oct. 29 (Sunday) West Los Angeles—Alix wine-tasting party, Yamato's restaurant, Century Plaza, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
- Bonito—Salmon fishing trip, aboard "Bonsai" boat.

JACL RETENTION FUND DONATIONS

LOS ANGELES—Ninth report (Oct. 6) issued for JACL Retention Fund donations to the PSWDC Trust Fund indicated donations from 5 individuals as follows:

Joe H. Buta, Tak Kawagoe, Jill Tanabe, Norman Sogitoko, Ehei Kohashi.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

'We Are Ones' (WAO) will have the Asian Sisters discuss drug abuse at the Bank of Tokyo Crenshaw branch on Friday, Oct. 20, 8 p.m. Session is open to the public.

Imposition of martial law in the Philippines by President Marcos drew protest demonstrations Oct. 6 in front of the Philippine consulate office, 3250 Wilshire Blvd., and mass meeting at the Oriental Service Center, 1215 S. Flower St. The actions were being coordinated by the National Committee for the Restoration of Civil Liberties in the Philippines.

Orange County

Akira Yasui, director general of Japan Trade Center at Los Angeles, will join the list of distinguished speakers addressing the International Minority Business seminar, Oct. 23-25, at the L.A. Convention Center. Noting that U.S. products are considered "prestige" items in Japan, the Japanese market seeks finished consumer goods, especially in archery and golf which is now very big, kitchenware and electrical appliances, Yasui said.

S.F.—East Bay

The So-Phis will present "A Breath of Autumn" fashion luncheon on Saturday noon, Oct. 21, at the Airport Inn, Newport Beach, with fashion consultant and coordinator Florence Smales as commentator. Linda Eiki from Garden Grove, accompanist, will highlight the fashions with her musical background arrangements. General chairman Mrs. Gary Honda announced that tickets may be obtained from members or at the following shops:

Shi's Fish Market, Garden Grove; Jeanne-Sumil Fashions, Midway City and Anaheim.

San Francisco

The Bay Area Bi-partisan Japanese American Committee for the Re-election of the President will hold a gala wine and cheese tasting party Oct. 14, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., at the elegant estate of Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ichinose of Hillsborough. Special guest will be William H. (Mo) Marumoto, Staff Assistant to the President of the United States. Catering will be by Yamato's of San Francisco.

Contributions of \$100 per couple or \$50 per person are being solicited. For further information, call Steve Doi, (415) 776-0723 in San Francisco.

Sacramento

A cherry blossom contest to raise funds for the Issei Memorial Center to be constructed in Nihonmachi on Sutter St. between Buchanan and Webster has been announced. Each person donating 50 cents will be given an opportunity to predict when the first blossom on a certain branch of a cherry tree in the Peace Plaza will be fully open next spring by date and time, down to seconds.

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NEWS CAPSULES

Business

Nanka Seimen Co., only Japanese noodle manufacturer in Southern California, broke ground Oct. 5 for a \$300,000 annex adjacent to their plant at E. 7th and Gladys Ave., which is now under renovation since the recent fire that gutted the interior and ruined much of the expensive equipment. Owner Kellehiro Sayano, 67, spaded the first scoop of dirt as ministers from the Honpa Hongwanji presided. Sayano has been making noodles for 50 years.

Courtroom

Maui Circuit Judge S. George Fukuoka has retired officially, but will continue as judge until Feb. 4, 1974. At age 52 and with 26 years of service as an educator, legislator and jurist, Fukuoka is eligible for retirement benefits of more than \$20,000 a year. Two women living in Honolulu are challenging the state law which requires a year's residence in order to file for a divorce. The complaints of Mon Chi Heung Au, also known as Heidi Heung, and Ariene Gillespie have been filed in federal court by attorney Ian Matlock. Mrs. Heung and Mrs. Gillespie complain that they are being denied their constitutional rights by the state laws which require a year's residence before they can file for divorce.

Press Row

Mrs. Michi Onuma, recently honored by the San Francisco Japanese community upon her retirement as a social work supervisor, is temporary editor of the Nichi Bei Times English section, filling in for Yasuo W. Abiko, who was suddenly taken ill Sept. 18 and after a week's stay in the hospital is now convalescing at his home at 741 Arguello Blvd.

Education

Pulitzer Prize-winner James Michener (Philadelphia JACL 1000 Club life member) will receive the Univ. of Northern Colorado alumni Trail Blazer Award at the Oct. 28 homecoming in Greeley. He will also give the address for the new UNC library dedication.

Church, JACL and other groups in the bid for \$50,000 which prompted a United Crusade membership contract. Because of its restrictions (ACS would be prevented from raising its own funds as well as not being guaranteed what it required from United Cr usade), the membership was rejected and ACS sought funds from the community, securing enough to maintain an interpreter and referral service, bilingual tutorial and program for the aging. This year, United Crusade closed its door on the Asian community by refusing to accept any new agencies.

Political Scene

Mayor Frank Fast says his challenger Mason Altiery has

Asian festival

BERKELEY, Calif.—Asian American Community Alliance stages its second annual Asian Festival, Oct. 14, at Berkeley High School, featuring performing artists, games, crafts and food. Among those appearing will be the Japanese drummers from San Francisco led by Seichi Tanaka, Suwa drum master.

New York

The search for quarters to house the United Asian Communities Center has ended with the site committee locating an available loft in the flower-trade district, 43 W. 28th St. Projects envisioned for the center include education and drama workshops, counseling and referral services, activities for senior citizens, a library of Asian and American literature, community bulletin board and film showings. Among the sponsoring organizations are Asian Americans for Human Rights, Asian Americans for Action, Basement Workshop, Chinatown Health Clinic, New York JACL, Nisei Nippo Club and United Japanese American Church.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

"kicked aside" their 17-year-old friendship in return for "a few dollars" to run for mayor. Fast made the comments about Altiery's "loyalty" during a lunch- address at Ulu Mau Village. Congresswoman Patsy E. Mink, says John Goemans, an opponent, has cost Hawaii "literally millions of dollars in education funds" because she can't get along with her colleagues in Congress. Goemans maintains that Hawaii is "getting far less back for education than we are entitled to on the basis of taxes paid. Mrs. Mink has indicated that education is her main area of interest. I can only conclude that her inability to get Hawaii's share of education dollars is directly related to her well-known inability to get along with her political colleagues."

State Sen. D. G. Anderson predicts he'll need \$300,000 to beat Mayor Frank Fast in the November mayoral election. In 1968 Anderson was first opposing Fast, the Republican senator raised about \$140,000. There is additional evidence of the fading friendship between labor leader Arthur Rutledge and Mayor Fast. In a handwritten letter dated Oct. 19, Rutledge blasted Fast for his stand on financing Waikiki improvements. Fast said he wouldn't give a penny for Rutledge's improvement until the hotel industry got down on its knees, and a hotel room tax was enacted. Big Island Mayor Shunichi Kikuchi collected about \$20,000 in a fundraising reception held Sept. 21 at the Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce building on South Beretania St. A \$25-a-piece cocktail reception for Kikuchi drew almost 1,000 persons. Ann Nakagawa, 18-year-old candidate for the state board of education, has won the endorsement of the ILMW. "We have confidence in our young people, and we aren't afraid of giving them responsibility," said Clifford Oda, chairman of the Oahu division Political Action Committee.

Gambling

Donald A. Bremner, executive vice president of the Waikiki Improvement Assn., said on Sept. 20 he took exception to remarks by U. S. Attorney Robert Fukuda that the hotel industry is "sleeping" on the matter of legalized gambling. Fukuda has predicted that the social gambling section of the State Penal Code will be declared unconstitutional after it goes into effect Jan. 1 and that Hawaii then will have no anti-gambling laws at all. This will open up the town to crooked gamblers who will fleece thousands of tourists, Fukuda predicted.

Military News

Military Club 100, composed of veterans of the 100th Infantry Battalion of WW 2 fame, held its 27th annual memorial service at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Gen. W.B. Rosson.

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Honolulu Scene

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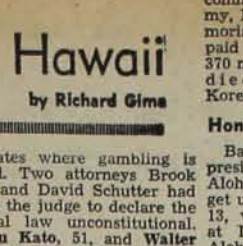
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